

**Remarks/Arguments**

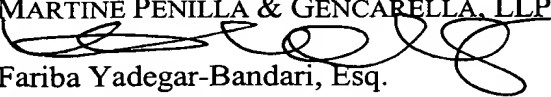
The Examiner is thanked for the careful review of this Application. Claims 1-20 are pending after entry of the present Amendment. Amendments were made to claims 2 and 10 to correct typographical errors.

The subject Amendment is being filed in response to the issues discussed with the Office during the telephonic Examiner's Interview on March 1, 2005. During the Examiner's Interview, the Applicants described that the Alexander reference is directed at a graphical display system in which a background graphical image (e.g., the digital waveform data for a digital oscilloscope) is made partially visible within an opaque, transparent, or translucent GUI. To achieve such task, Alexander uses a video controller chip to switch a dark gray color pixel to the color of the pixel in the background graphical image. That is, the dark gray color is never displayed on the screen. For instance, dark gray color pixels defined at the intersection of the background graphical image and the GUI border (if any) are shown in the pixel color of the background graphical image, and not the dark gray color. Thus, the GUI border is never displayed in a reserved color.

During the Examiner's Interview, the Office requested that the claims be amended to specifically recite that the dialog box boundary drawn using the reserved color is maintained in the reserved color. Complying with the Office's request, independent claims 1, 8, and 15 have been amended to explicitly recite that the drawn dialog box boundary is maintained in the reserved color associated with the reserved color value and that the dialog box boundary constantly maintains visual differentiation between the dialog box and the displayed background (as defined in claim 1), and that the drawn dialog box boundary is maintained in the selected reserved color while the dialog box is displayed (as defined in claims 8 and 15).

In view of the clarifying amendments and as acknowledged by the Office during the Examiner's interview, the claims are patentable over the cited art of record, as Alexander fails to disclose or teach a dialog box boundary drawn and maintained in a reserved color. Thus, the Applicants request that rejections of the claims be kindly withdrawn.

The Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions concerning the present Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 774-6913. If any additional fees are due in connection with filing this Amendment, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. SUNMP009). A duplicate copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,  
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